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Applicants: Starnes et al. Examiner: P. Szekely

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For: **"ORGANIC THIOL METAL-FREE STABILIZERS AND PLASTICIZERS
FOR HALOGEN-CONTAINING POLYMERS"**Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**PROPOSED AMENDMENT A**

Sir:

In response to the Official Office Action mailed April 21, 2003, Applicants respond as follows: